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NEW PLANT IMMIGRANTS.

(NOTE: Applications for material listed in this bulletin may be made at any time to this Office. As they are received they are filed and when the material is ready for the use of experimenters it is sent to those on the list of applicants who can show that they are prepared to care for it, as well as to others selected because of their special fitness to experiment with the particular plants imported.)

One of the main objects of the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction is to secure material for plant experimenters, and it will undertake, so far as possible, to fill any specific requests for foreign seeds or plants from plant breeders and others interested.)

ASPARAGUS SPP. (Convallariaceae.) 31296-297. Fruits of two species of asparagus from the Thian Shan Mountains, Chinese Turkestan. One of climbing habit, the other slightly twining, and found on a sandy alkaline spot. Both of possible value as ornamental perennials and as factors in breeding resistant strains. (Meyer's introductions.) For distribution later.

BERBERIS SPP. (Berberidaceae.) 31287-289. Seeds of three species of barberry from the Tekes Valley, Thian Shan Mountains, Chinese Turkestan. All tall species growing to a height of ten to twelve feet, one of the species seeming to do well in more or less sterile soils. The colors of the berries are respectively red, brown and blue. (Meyer's introductions.) For distribution later.

CALLIGONUM SP. (Polygonaceae.) 31293. Seeds from near Schul-Kuduk, Chinese Turkestan. "A graceful looking, small desert shrub, having a multitude of slightly bent, very white branches, which are from two to four feet in length. Occurs in deserts of moving sands, where it builds small mounds. To be tested for its sand-binding capacities in the dry and not-too-cold sections of the United States." (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.